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This is a request for filing an

- Original
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application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b), in the name of David R. WALT and Karri Lynn MICHAEL, for  
FIBER OPTIC SENSOR WITH ENCODED MICROSPHERES.

1. (a) — Enclosed is a new application.  
(b) — Enclosed is a continuation-in-part application.  
(c) ☒ Enclosed is a copy of the prior application.
2. (a) — Enclosed is a new Declaration.  
(b) ☒ Enclosed is a copy of the prior executed Declaration as originally filed.  
(c) — Enclosed is a Combined Declaration/Power of Attorney.

3. (a)      Enclosed is a Small Entity Affidavit.  
 (b) X A Small Entity Affidavit is of record in the prior application.

4. X The filing fee is calculated below:

Claims as filed in the prior application, less any claims canceled by amendment below:

	(Col. 1)	(Col. 2)	<u>SMALL ENTITY</u>			<u>OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY</u>	
For:	<u>No. Filed</u>	<u>No. Extra</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Fee</u>	<u>Or</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Fee</u>
Basic Fee				\$355.00			\$710.00
Total Claims	<u>31</u> - 20 =	<u>11</u>	<u>11</u> x 9 =	<u>\$ 99.00</u>	OR	<u>    </u> x \$18 =	<u>\$      </u>
Indep Claims	<u>4</u> - 3 =	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u> x 40 =	<u>\$ 40.00</u>	OR	<u>    </u> x \$80 =	<u>\$      </u>
[ ] Multiple Dependent Claims			+ \$135 =	<u>\$      </u>	OR	+ \$270 =	<u>\$      </u>
Total				<u>\$494.00</u>			<u>\$      </u>

\* If the difference in Col. 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in Col. 2.

     The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, including extension fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1300 (Order No. A-67209-5/RMS/DCF).

6. X No check is enclosed.

7.      Cancel in this application original claims                      of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)

8. X Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

--This is a continuation of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/450,829, filed  
 November 29, 1999, <sup>now U.S. Pat. 6,266,459</sup> which is a continuation of U.S. Application Serial No.  
 08/818,199, filed March 14, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 6,023,540.--

9. (a) X Informal drawings are enclosed, 10 sheets.  
(b)     Formal drawings are enclosed,     sheets.
10. (a) X Claims benefit of U.S. Application Serial Nos. 09/450,829, filed November 29, 1999 and 08/818,199, filed March 14, 1997.  
(b)     The certified copy has been filed in prior application Serial No.     filed on    .
11. (a)     An Assignment is enclosed.  
(b) X Enclosed is a copy of the prior assignment as originally filed.
12. X The prior application is assigned of record to Trustees of Tufts College.
13.     A Power of Attorney by Assignee is enclosed.
14. X The power of attorney in the prior application is to:  
FLEHR HOHBACH TEST ALBRITTON & HERBERT, LLP  
(a) X The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.  
(b)     Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.  
(c) X Address all future communications to:  
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15.     A preliminary amendment is enclosed. (Claims added by this amendment have been properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.)
16.     A Prior Art Statement is enclosed.

17. \_\_\_\_\_ I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true duplicate of prior application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ as originally filed on \_\_\_\_\_.

Date:

April 22, 2001

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